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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: MS SETTLEMENT UNJUST/ILLEGAL

Dear Atty Gen,

I believe that to punish a company guilty of racketeering by offering them a chance to broaden their territory "marketshare" is utterly absurd. I am NOT happy with the terms of this settlement, particularly with the arrangements for MS to provide software to schools. Apple is currently the dominant marketforce in educational computing, and this settlement will not only hurt them, but all other OS/educational software vendors.

RedHat Linux has proposed an offer to provide Operating Systems, Updates, and Technical support FOREVER to these schools. Making the money MS spent on actual HARDWARE go alot further and to many more poor schools. To give MS our schools on a silver platter because of theirr TERRIBLE business practices is a TRAVESTY!

I have been a MS user for 10 years, and never have I felt so ripped off as when I needed tech support for my Windows Operating Systems and it was very inadequet or simply not there! Stop letting them rip off the American consumer by Overcharging for a half ass coding job.

Stop their imperialistic way of Forcing competitors like Netscape out of the running.

I hate to say this to a respected member of any states highest Law Enforcement Agency, but if you cannot see that this settlement is WRONG, legally, ethically, and morally, then I say to you sir or madame, "YOU ARE EITHER AN IDIOT, OR IN MS's BACK POCKET"

Fix this before our schools are FORCED into participating in something so un-american, that our Founding Fathers would restart revolution all over again to stop it!

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